

Nov 1785

State of Franklin

Independent state formed by  
Settlers 1784-1788 in region  
Ceded to U.S. by North Carolina  
(present day Eastern Tennessee)

adopted its own constitution  
Nov. 1785.

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Congress - acting under the Article of Confederation adopted the dollar as the unit of our money and the decimal system as a method of reckoning.

Previous to this, there were in circulation English shilling; French louis d'ors; and Spanish doubloons.

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Coulomb's law  
proposed 1785 by French  
physicist Charles Augustin  
de Coulomb (1736 - 1806)

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Paris began to register its  
~~prostitutes~~, in effort to control  
prostitution

Mar. 10, 1785

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minister to France, succeeding  
Benjamin Franklin

May 23, 1785

Benjamin Franklin invented  
bifocals.

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Congress & the "Declaration" took  
up residence in New York.

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Russians settle Aleutian Islands

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Napoleon was an Artillery Cadet  
at Ecole Militaire in Paris  
Laplace was his classmate  
at Ecole Militaire.

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A clergyman Edmund Cartwright made a loom which was worked by water power. Then England produced more cloth than any other country in the world.

England passed laws saying no one was to take planes for the machines out of England. An English weaver named Samuel Slater studied the machines

closely. When he left England to come to America he carried the idea of the machine in his head. Slater came to Rhode Island and built a mill or factory like the English factories he could remember.

This was 1790. This is how the textile industry got started in the United States.

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The power loom was invented